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In re Application of:
Gregory R. D. Evans et al.

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For: REGULATED GROWTH FACTOR
DELIVERY FOR ENGINEERED
PERIPHERAL NERVE

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2001**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including December 27, 2001 in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated September 27, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$724.00 is enclosed, which includes the process fee (\$55.00) for a one month extension of time.

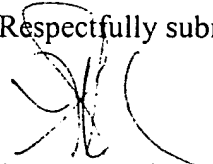
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Respectfully submitted,



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